

**ABSTRACT**

A separator assembly for separating a container from a web of at least two containers, comprising a frame member, a clamp, a clamp actuator, a blade assembly and a blade actuator. The frame includes a base. The clamp is associated with the frame member. The clamp includes a lower surface defined by at least two legs and a slot positioned therebetween to, in turn, facilitate the clamping of a portion of a web of at least two containers relative to the base. The clamp actuator is associated with each of the at least one clamp and the frame. The at least one clamp actuator is capable of selectively moving the at least two legs and the slot of the lower surface of the at least one clamp relative to the frame, to, in turn, releasably clamp a portion of a web of at least two containers between the base and the at least two legs. The blade assembly is associated with the base. The blade actuator is associated with the blade assembly, the blade actuator is capable of selectively moving the blade assembly transversely across the slot of the lower surface of the at least one clamp.